WILLIAM P. REND.

Of Chicago, a Prominent Coal Mine Operator.

Homeopathic Fraternity Men at

Ann Arbor May Become Mar-

tyrs to Science.

FORT WAYNE VOLUNTEER

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Jan. 28.-The Al-

pha Sigma fraternity will drink an un-

Alpha Sigma is a homeopathic fraternity,

and the proposed drinking exploit of the

members is known to the medical world

Dr. A. E. Ibershoff, of the fraternity.

announced after a secret chapter meeting,

that only part of the sixteen "frat" men

would indulge in the poison drinking. The

are: Ford N. Jones, of Detroit; Harold H.

Baker, Rochester, N. Y.; Hugh M. Beebe,

Sidney, O.; Leon J. Gibson, Vassar, Mich.

T. Graham, Rochester, N. Y.; Awra A. Hoyt, Battle Creek, Mich.; Frederick W.

McAfee, Cottem, Ont.; Harlen MacMullen,

Bay City, Mich.; Luther Peck, Morrison,

Mass.; Howard F. Schell, Cincinnati, O.;

Arthur P. Schultz, Fort Wayne, Ind.;

James W. Sooy, Wayland, Mich.; Welcome

Waggoner, Corey, Pa., and Virgil F. Weir,

Of these young men all the upper class-

men will subject themselves to poison test-

ting. The poison will be one whose exact

effects on the human system are now un-

danger to life, but he has stipulated that

the Michigan men shall not receive any

low of it will be taken, Dr. Ibershoff says,

boys' systems time to become accustomed

which at first would have made them very

ill, at the least. At the end some very

to appear in some of the self-made pa-

The object of all this is to discover the

of homeopathy, of drugs and poisons hith-

erto useless. Alpha Sigma chapters in

every part of the United States are about

Alcohol drinking is the only thing which

Once every two hours the boys

the young martyrs will be compelled to

will pull note books out of their pockets

and record their feelings minutely. Lest

some of these feelings should be purely

maginary, the name of the poison will be

unknown till the experiment is finished.

The results will be sent to New York to be

compared, classified and recorded.

in minute quantities, such as will

potson will be increased, giving the

poison so virulent as snake venom

Warren, O.

. Tinker, New Lothrop, Mich.; Carroll C.

TO TEST DEADLY DRUGS

ALPHA SIGMA BROTHERS

OWNERS OF COAL MINES IN COMPETITIVE FIELD WILL FIGHT INCREASE

This Sentiment Prevails Among the Operators Here for the Joint Conference.

WORK WILL BEGIN TO-DAY

First Day's Session Not Important Because of Nonarrival of the Pittsburg Contingent.

F L. ROBBINS NOW HERE

He Is Regarded as the Leader of the Operators—Committees Are Announced.

Bituminous coal operators and miners of Hlinois, Indiana, Ohio and western Pennsylvania, who are in the city for the seventh annual joint wage conference of the competitive district, failed to get down to business yesterday, according to schedule. The delay was caused by the failure of number of the operators from the Pittsburg region to arrive in the city yesterday morning, all train from that section of the country being several hours late. The leading figure of the conference on the employers' side, Frank L. Robbins, of Pittsburg, was expected early yesterday morning, but did not make his appearance until in the afternoon and by the time he and his party to begin regular work. Consequently the | now with little doses, and increasing the convention adjourned until 9 o'clock this amount weekly till late next spring. The morning, when the men will settle down to

IN TOMLINSON HALL. It was found yesterday morning, when as "proving a poison." They are following miners and operators began to gather in the example of the New York Alpha Sigthe auditorium of the Claypool, that the | mas, who are drinking the venom of the quarters were not nearly adequate to ac- | cobra to determine what symptoms it procommodate the number. The hall would duces. not even hold the miners, and it was necessary to forego the attempt at holding a morning session, and the convention adjourned until afternoon, when operators and miners convened in Tomlinson Hall. About 150 operators were present, but they stated that they were not ready to proceed with business until the remaining coal men arrived. They reached the hall about 5:30 During the interim the convention took a recess, and was amused with songs and stories by miners and operators. When President Mitchell rapped for order Frank L. Robbins arose and nominated Mr. Mitchell as temperary chairman. C. L. Scrogg was chosen temporary secretary. Because a number of the late arrivals are on the credentials committee, the convention could not proceed with business, and it was therefore necessary to adjourn until this morn-

OPERATORS MEET. Immediately following the adjournment of the convention the operators repaired to the Claypool Hotel, where they held an executive session. Although nothing definite was decided upon, the talk of the meeting was slong the line of a reduction, and it is understood the operators will make a fight for a scale lower than the one now in vogue. The general opinion of all the operators is that to pay the present scale or one embodying an increase for another year will not be a business transaction for the reason that they will have to operate at very near cost. It is argued that there is at present a great supply of coal on the market which must be sold, while at the same to begin the same sort of poison drinkgreat quantities of coal at a price with which the competitive States cannot compete. The miners, one operator said, do not look at the question from a business point of view. As long as they fail to raise the wages in the Virginia fields, it will be impossible to keep the competitive wages up. The miners' organization has made repeated efforts at organizing the miners of Virginia and though successful in one part, they have failed in the interior, where the operators have cut prices and wages. From these facts it would seem that the

the disruption of the interstate movement.

It is not anticipated that the issue will

a thing is possible if the operators deter-

mine upon a reduction and the miners re-

CONTENTION FOR SCALE.

Rules and Order of Business-Indiana op-

erators, J. Smith Talley, of Terre Haute, and M. L. Gould, of Indianapolis; In-

diana miners, Newton Cassidy, of Mont-

and A. J. Morehead, of Chicago; Illinois

miners, George Bagwell, of Murphysville, and John T. Parsons, of Springfield. Ohio

operators, A. Cunningham, of Cincinnati,

Credentials-Indiana operators, H. C. Ad-

ams, W. H. Zimmerman, of Brazil, and P.

H. Hanna, of Linton; Indiana miners, Lee

Jackson, bituminous, of Evansville, and William Houston, block, of Brazil. Illinois

operators, W. S. Wilson, of Pinck-neyville, and H. C. Adams, of Chi-

and George Magoon, of Pittsburg; Pennsyl-

REPORTS TO-DAY.

The hours of the conference shall be

cupy the right side of the hall and the

operators the left. Each State shall be

permitted the same number of votes on the

loor of the convention-four votes on be-

half of the operators and four on behalf of

the miners. No motion shall be carried

except on the affirmative vote of the miners

and the operators of each State. Each

State shall have four operators and four

miners on the scale committee. Sessions

will be open to the public except where

otherwise ordered. The use of tobacco will

In the lobby of the Claypool last night the

fronts them. They refuse to give out all

news of a definite nature, saying that they

not be allowed in the hall.

and William Smith, of McDonald.

of Washingtonville, and P. J. Gor-

fuse to accept it.

committeemen as follows:

John Mallabone, of Lucyville,

TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF ALLEGED POISONER present conference will be one of the hardest fought battles the operators and miners have had. Should it come to a point where an agreement could not be

reached, it is probable that it would mean Died from Natural Disease, convert itself into a strike, although such Not Arsenic.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 28 .- Dr. W. C. JAPAN MAY DECLARE Morse, of Eldora, and Dr. Clark, of Grin-When the operators and miners convene in Tomlinson Hall this morning there will nell, testified to-day in the Blydenburgh trial at Eldora that Mrs. Blydenburgh, be little preliminary business at hand before who, it is alleged, was poisoned by arsenic the demands for a new scale will be subadministered by her husband, died from mitted by both sides. The report of the disease. Both physicians said that in their credentials committee will be perfunctory. opinion it would have been impossible thiras all delegates will be seated and the rety days after death to determine by any port of the committee on rules and order kind of analysis whether arsenic found in the stomach became lodged there before or for disposal. At the short afternoon session yesterday the operators and miners after death. The testimony of these two physicians formed the strong card for the of the different States announced their

Blydenburgh sat with averted face during the ordeal which he was called upon to face to-day while medical men and chemists examined the organs of his dead wife, gomery, and James Cantwell, of Carbon. Illinois operators, E. T. Bent, of Chicago, with a view to determining whether or not they had been in a healthy condition prior to the illness which caused her death. At one time, when Dr. Davis took up the heart of the dead woman in order to explain to the jury some defect in that organ, Blydenburgh buried his face in his hands.

and L. S. Newman; Ohio miners, Percy Tetlow, of Washingtonville, and P. J. Gorman, of Massillon, O. Pennsylvania opera-COTTON MILL OWNERS tors, G. W. Schulederberg and J. T. M. Stoneroad, of Pittsburg; Pennsylvania miners, John McGinty, of New Eagle, and CUT WORKING HOURS

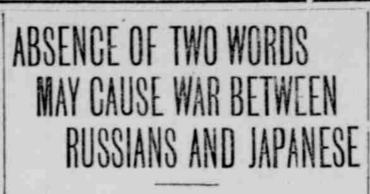
> of Cotton-Firms Propose Raising Price of Garments.

cago; Illinois miners, Frank J. Hayes, of Belleville, and Alex. Smith, of Streator, PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28.-The owners Ohio operators, W. L. Davis and S. A. Mcof two more cotton mills have been forced Manigal; Ohio miners, G. W. Savage, of Columbus, and Robert Legg, of Massilon. Pennsylvania operators, P. A. Blackburn ployes, who number about 500, because of vania miners, Alex. Clark, of Meadowland, the high price of cotton. The concerns affected are the Delph Spinning Company, of this city, and the Argo mills, of Gloucester, The two committees had their reports N. J. Other mills will be forced to curtail their working hours. The union-made garmorning. The credentials committee reports ment manufacturers of America, compris- | was made plain when the money was found favorably on all the delegates and no hitch ing some of the leading garment makers in the city, are considering the advisability of making an advance of about 25 per cent. on and order of business will report as follows:

from 3 a. m. until 5 p. m., with a recess from 12 to 2 o'clock. The miners shall oc-W. J. BRYAN'S SISTER IS

> Brother Has Been Wired to Hurry Home, as She Has Taken Turn for the Worse.

Bryan, a sister of W. J. Bryan, is critically Pacific Company paid the sum of \$10,000 operators were gathered in groups of two ill with tubercular peritonitis at the home and three discussing the situation that con- of her sister, Mrs. T. S. Allen, in this city. Her illness took a sudden change for the cannot tell what will be agreed upon. Frank worse to-day, and Mr. Bryan has been



Czar's Government Has Twice Declined to Guarantee the Integrity of China.

STRICKEN FROM TREATY

Willing to Promise as to Korea, but Will Not Sanction "China and."

WAR MAY BE DECLARED

Definite Reply Expected by Japan from St. Petersburg on Monday Next.

LONDON, Jan. 29 .- The Daily Graphic claims to be able to affirm that Russia's draft of her reply has not yet been officially presented to Japan, but that it has been communicated to M. Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg, who has transmitted the contents to Tokio, whence it will be conveyed to the friendly powers. The Russian replay is courteous, the Daily Graphic continues, but it refuses in uncompromising terms to permit the reinsertion in the draft of the treaty of two words guaranteeing the integrity and independence of China, on which Japan in-

sisted in her last note. The clause proposed by Japan was that Russia and Japan should mutually agree to respect the "integrity and independence of China and Korea." Russia has now stricken out twice the words "China and," and it is understood that this will close the ne-

It is probable, the Daily Graphic goes on, that when this note has been presented Japan will notify Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister at Tokio, that she has no alternative but to take up arms in defense of her interests, and that M. Kurino will be instructed to demand his passports. In the meantime the two Japanese cruisers which left Colombo yesterday are proceeding to Singapore, where, in the event of war being declared, their crews will be paid off and the vessels laid up. Peter Gotfredsen, Manistee, Mich.; Corden

There is nothing in the dispatches published this morning to show that the statement of the Daily Graphic is anything more than "intelligent anticipation." The dispatch to the Associated Press from St. Petersburg on the meeting of the Council of State is the latest St. Petersburg news to MAY ATTACK ENGLISH THREE reach here. The Daily Mail and the Daily Telegraph both report in their St. Petersburg dispatches the possibility of further negotiations, the latter paper saying that the culmination of the crisis is not expected known. Dr. Ibershoff says that there is no before the beginning of March and reporting a sudden rise on the St. Petersburg The poison is, of course, taken in a di- Bourse

luted form. Once every two hours a swal-A dispatch to the Standard from Tokio says, according to information from a sure source, large bodies of Russian troops are produce slight ill feelings, or slight exhilarations. At intervals of a week the amount being moved to the Korean frontier from Feng-Huang-Cheng and other points in the interior of Manchuria. to the drug. At the very end, Dr. Ibershoff says, the boys will drink portions

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Seoul reports the arrival of a thousand Russian troops at An-Tung yesterday. pronounced poison symptoms are expected

A dispatch from Nagasaki to the Daily Telegraph affirms that the Korean government has bluntly refused the renewed demedicinal value, according to principles mands of Italy for the gold-mining conces-

In a dispatch from Tokio a correspondent of the Times gives the financial programme as follows: First, a domestic loan of 100,-000,000 yen (\$50,000,000); second, the government to draft into the treasury the local land taxes amounting to 25,000,000 yen; third, an increase of other taxes to yield 15,000,000 yen; fourth, suspension of public works and administrative retrenchmens, amounting to 40,000,000 yen. The total of 80,000,000 yen a year obtained by those three last measures will be devoted to the securing of war loans.

The Peking correspondent of the Times cables that Tsong Chi, the Tartar general of Mukden, has telegraphed the foreign Doctors Say Mrs. Blydenburgh board at Peking that the Russians have demanded that he supply 500 carts for immediate military service. The board replied that owing to Chinese decision of neutrality Tseng Chi must decline to supply the carts in question.

WAR EARLY NEXT WEEK

the answer of Russia to Japan's latest note will reach Tokio not later than next Mon-(CONTINUED ON PAGE 2, COL. 3.)

SHE HAD A BIG FORTUNE HIDDEN IN HER CLOTHES

ing in the Louisville Railway Station.

THE FOUGHT

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 28 .- With over \$3,000 in currency and negotiable paper and documents showing that she is the owner of Compelled to Do So by High Price | Kansas real estate worth anywhere from \$20,000 to \$60,000, Mrs. Maria Uitts, an aged German woman of Independence, Kan., was found at the Union Depot to-day and taken to the City Hospital, where she died. When discovered by Patrolman Rees at the station, Mrs. Uitts was suffering from an attack of pneumonia in an advanced stage, but despite her condition she refused to go to the hospital and the ambulance corps were compelled to use force to induce her to accompany them. At the

> nurses until her feeble strength was exhausted in an effort to prevent them from The cause of Mrs. Uitts's unwillingness to have her clothes removed by the nurses sewed in a cotton belt.

overalls because of the high price of cotton. EFFORT TO BLACKMAIL THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC

> REPORTED VERY ILL Threats Made to Wreck Every Train Unless \$10,000 Be Paid.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28 .- A threat to wreck every train running through the LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 28.-Miss Nannie San Joaquin valley unless the Southern anonymous letters. Detectives are working | barre, Pa. It is said that when the comon the case, but as yet they have found no clew to the writer. The date on which the | trains in operation heavy teaming in the cannot tell what will be agreed upon. Frank L. Robbins, leader of the operators, refuses to talk concerning the demands of the operators, refuses to talk concerning the demands of the operators. The plans conforming has expired and the railroad template the delivery of at least 50,000 tons officials are closely guarding their tracks. of freight a day by Jan. 1, 1905.



THIBETANS NOW OBJECT TO ADVANCE OF BRITISH

Lama to Turn Back or Serious Trouble Would Follow.

CHUMBI, Br. India, Jan. 28 .- Col. Younghusband, commanding the British expedition to Thibet, has received a personal visit from the Depon-Lama, one of the five great Lamas of Thibet, who delivered an ultimatum warning him to return to Gnatong and promising that there would be serious trouble if he did not do so. Large reinforcements of infantry and cavalry have already reached the Thibetan camp and more are coming from Lhassa and Shigatso, the western capital. It is expected that an attack will be made on the British camp at Tuna when the Thibetans are sufficiently reinforced. In the meantime the British are pushing the work of road-making through a gorge north of Lingmathang. which is said to be more difficult to traverse and higher than the Kyber pass. The military telegraph is keeping pace with the road-makers. All this work is being done in the face of artic weather. The British expedition is still waiting a proper repre sentative from the Dolai-Lama at Lhassa A flying column under command of Colone McDonald is ready to push forward at any moment should necessity arise.

AGENTS OF TREASURY SEIZE OFFICERS' WINES

Owners Must Pay the Duty or Else the Cases Will Be Sold at Auction.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.-Locked up in a storeroom in a government pler is a pile

CHICAGO WILL HAVE 100 MILES OF DEEP TUNNELS

Drayage and Surface Telephone Poles.

NURSES GREAT WORK UNDER WAY COOL

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.-The Illinois Teleits property to the Illinois Tunnel Com-000. The sale gives the latter company the pede. control of the tunnels, tracks, telephone cables, etc., forty feet underneath the city the total mileage being twenty. It is the hospital she fought the physicians and

twenty miles an hour. minal transfers-what the North and East rivers are to New York. The railroads will deliver freight at depot tunnels and trains will carry it to business houses. Many of the lower floors of business blocks recently erected in Chicago are on a level with the tunnels and cars will be run into these buildings. In other cases the required excavations under buildings will be made so as to facilitate freight delivery. Not only coal, but goods of every description are to be carried from the railroad yards to business houses. So far about \$8,000,000 has been expended and so quietly has the work been done that few Chicagoans realize the Parents Left Tots in House and extent or importance of it in the future mercantile transactions of the city. The money for the work is understood to have come mainly from the anthracite coal regions of Pennsylvania, being furnished through J. B. Russell & Co., of Wilkes-

pany has completed its work and has its

INDIANA MAN CRUSHED IN RAILWAY COLLISION

DEMOCRAT-"Say, professor, will it cure this?"

Injured So Badly He Died in Few Hours.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Jan. 28 .- A tailend collision of extra freights in the Burlington yards here to-day caused the death of three trainmen and a passenger riding in the caboose. The dead: THOMAS KELLY, engineer, Ravenna.

C. F. EATON, fireman, Alliance. JOHN AKERS, brakeman, Alliance.

J. C. WHITTENBERGER, passenger, of The extra freight was standing on a side track when another freight train crashed into the caboose, tearing it to pieces and almost instantly killing Eaton and Akers, who were on the engine. Engineer Kelly was caught in the wreckage and it was an hour before he could be released. He died soon after. Whittenberger lived several hours. The coroner has taken charge of the bodies and will hold an inquest to place

the responsibility for the wreck. Several freight cars were demolished and the track badly torn up. It cannot be repaired before to-morrow and passengers in the meantime are being transferred.

VIENNA SURGEON FINDS NEW USE FOR RADIUM

VIENNA, Jan. 28 .- Prof. Gussenbaur, one of the leading surgeons of Austria, has conducted successful experiments with radium for enlargement of the gullet in cases | fair, however, that aroused suspicion and of cancerous contraction of the aesophagus, thereby obviating the necessity of recourse to artificial nourishment.

ASPHYXIATED BY GAS.

ERIE, Pa., Jan. 28.-Escaping gas in the home of Glenn Saunders, of this city, to-day of cases of wine, cigars and Cuban cigar- resulted in the asphyxiation of Mrs. Saun- ried life. ettes, each case addressed to a prominent | ders and her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Mont-TOKIO, Jan. 28.-It is anticipated that at auction. The goods were brought by serious condition. The members of the famthe Sumner on her last voyage from Cuba. | ily were found unconscious by Mr. Decker, Special agents of the Treasury Depart- who lived in the same house, about noon toment learned of the goods and the seizure | day. All were dressed and a fire was burnling in the stove.

PANIC CAUSED BY A MAN FALLING OVER A'CHAIR

Aged German Woman Found Dy- Scheme to Do Away with Street Theater Lights Were Low and the into the house. Noise Started Women to Screaming.

STAGE MANAGER

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 28.-A man falling over phone and Telegraph Company has sold all a chair started a panic in Havelin's Theater to-night, but the prompt action of Manager pany, with an authorized capital of \$30,000,- William Garen prevented a general stam-

During an act when the house was darkened the audience was listening intently to of Chicago. At present the whole down- the lines of the play, a man moving about town district is honeycombed with tunnels, in the rear of the balcony fell over a chair, making a great noise. Instantly the audi-100 miles being contemplated. The motor | Manager William Garen instantly ordered used is electric and the trains are to run | the lights turned on, and, rushing upon the stage, he called to the panic-stricken peo-It is the purpose to make the tunnels ter- | ple to be seated, telling them there was no danger and imploring them to remember the terrible Iroquols Theater disaster. The audience at once calmed down and Mr. Garen continued to talk, explaining that the exits were all open and that the alarm had been caused from a noise in the gallery and there was nothing to fear. He then had the asbestos curtain lowered several times and explained its workings. When he had concluded the audience was entirely quieted and he was roundly applauded.

> CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH WHILE ALONE

Went Away, and Returned to Find Them Cremated.

AU SABLE, Mich., Jan. 28 .- Two chilents were away and the house caught fire. starting down,

TODD ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF MURDERING HIS WIFE

Col. Younghusband Warned by J. C. Whittenberger, of Larwill, Claimed He Accidentally Killed gaged and intended to resign her position. Young Woman with Gun, but Grand Jury Indicted Him.

OTHERS KILLED THOUGHT IT WAS OVER

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LEBANON, Ind., Jan. 28 .- A sensation was sprung to-day when Cyrus M. Todd Solomon Buechler, at Jamestown, on a grand jury indictment charging him with teen years old, and his wife was twenty, They were married March 25, 1903. He is a son of Calvin Todd, living southwest of Jamestown, in Hendricks county. His wife was a daughter of ex-County Commissioner

Mrs. Todd's death occurred at her home one and one-half miles north of Jamestown on the evening of Dec. 31, 1903. Her husband had been complaining during the day of a severe headache and in the afternoon took his gun and went hunting in order to secure relief from the headache. When he returned home about 4 o'clock in the evening his head was no better. He placed the gun on the bed and his wife, picking up the gun by the muzzle, was shot through the left breast, the charge of shot penetrating the heart, causing instant death. This was the story told by Mr. Todd at the time. He was the only witness to the tragedy. There were certain circumstances surrounding the afled to the matter being brought to the at-

tention of the grand jury. One of the suspicious circumstances was the fact that the gun was a safety-hammer weapon. There was also evidence adduced at the coroner's inquest that tended to

show that Mr. and Mrs. Todd had experienced some trouble during their short mar-Mrs. Mary McLean, mother of the dead officer of the navy or army. Seals have gomery, of Pittsburg. Saunders will proba- girl, testified at the inquest that her daughbeen placed upon each case, and unless the bly die, and his three-weeks-old baby and ter had told her about Todd calling her owners pay the duty the cases will be sold Eva Montgomery, a sister-in-law, are in a bad names, about his running her into the

about his threatening her life. Cecil Mc-Lean, aged fifteen, a brother of the dead girl, testified in a similar vein. In his testimony before the coroner Todd denied that he and his wife had any especial trouble, although they had words once

in a while. He declared that he had never struck his wife with his fist to hurt her. He said he did scare her once with a gun when she had told him she did not care if she were dead. He had no explanation to offer as to what made the gun go off. The gun was not cocked when he brought it The evidence taken at the coroner's inquest was not given out for publication un-

til to-day after Todd's arrest had been effected. The coroner, in rendering his verdict, while considering the question of foul play, arrived at the conclusion that the evidence was not sufficient to warrant the returning of a verdict to that effect, and consequently found that the death of Mrs. Todd was accidental. In considering the question of foul play, the coroner says:
"The strongest evidence against the young man is the fact that we have been unable to explode a cartridge in the gun without pulling the hammer to full cock and snapping it off by using the finger on the trig-But the coroner, in concluding, says: "In the light of all the evidence so far found against the boy, I am inclined to give him the benefit of the doubt and be-lieve that the affair was accidental." Since his arrest on the grand jury indictment. Todd has refused to talk to anyone other than his father and his attorney. will probably be arraigned in Circuit Court next Monday and his case set down for an early hearing. Rev. Demetrius Tillotson, pastor of the Lebanon M. E. Church, and one of the best-known Methodist divines in Indiana, was foreman of the grand jury that returned the indictment against Todd. is the first minister who has served on the grand jury for many years.

FOUR MEN FALL 685 FEET DOWN AIR SHAFT

Pilot Weight of a Mine Cage Breaks and Occupants Are Crushed to Death,

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., Jan. 28 .- Four men, all foreigners, were crushed to death to-day Company near here. The shaft was 685 feet deep, and the men were being lowered in a bucket when a 400-pound pilot weight broke, precipitating the bucket and the men to the bottom. The heavy weight falling on dren of John Roberts, a farmer near Mi- them crushed the men beyond recognition. kado, aged respectively two and a half and It is claimed by the officials that the accident was due to the failure of the men to six years, were burned to death. The par- remove the weight from the lever before

BEDFORD EXPECTS AN ARREST SOON, AND THE PEOPLE ARE NERVOUS

Officials, However, Assert They Lack Evidence to Warrant Taking Any One Into Custody.

NO NEW CLEWS FOUND

Detectives Busy Trying to Find Where the Pair of Overshoes Were Purchased.

SIX PERSONS EXAMINED

Miss Clara Friedly Says Sarah Schafer Jokingly Said She Was Engaged.

Staff Correspondence of the Journal. BEDFORD, Ind., Jan. 28 .- Bedford is expecting an arrest in the Schafer murder mystery within forty-eight hours. The enhas passed from mouth to mouth that there will be radical developments soon. Grounds for this belief are slight, but the city is in a state of expectancy. The officials, however, assure every inquirer that absolutely no evidence in their hands will justify an arrest. It is just a week ago to-night that the pretty school teacher was slain, though her body was not found till the next morn-

The investigation to-day lasted but a few nesses were summoned. The remainder of the day was spent by the detectives in quietly working at the clews in their possession. Every effort is being made by near the scene of the murder was purchased. A call was made at every Bedford shoestore, but no definite information was secured. Detective Reed believes the clew one of the most important yet developed.

Miss Knox, Miss Clara Friedly and Prof. Louder, associates of Miss Schafer in the High School, were witnesses before the investigating committee to-day. Miss Friedly told of the conversation with Miss Schafer at the High School one morning when the latter jokingly remarked that she was en-ONLY IN FUN.

"The remark was only in fun, and she was not sincere," said Miss Friedly before the detectives. "It may be that I misunderstood her meaning, for when I arrived in Elkhart I found there was absolutely nothing in the story," said Miss Friedly further. She also testified that she understood Miss Schafer had gone driving with a man several times after she came to Bedford in September. Miss Friedly said the telephone messages, she believed, from Miss Schafer's conversation, were from a the murder of his wife. Todd is only nine- high-school boy, a member of one of her Professor Louder and Miss Knox reiter-

ated the statements they have made many times within the last few days. Another supposed hoax came to light tonight when Marshal Russell received the following letter from Louisville, Ky., signed

"I killed Sarah Schafer. I intend to kill myself. I will drown myself at 2:15 o'clock Chursday afternoon in the river between Louisville and New Albany. In my pockets

will be found letters from her that will ex-Marshal Russell did not take much stock

in the letter, but he asked Chief of Police Ridge, of Louisville, to investigate the matter. Chief Ridge, in a telephone message, discredited the letter, saying it probably was written by a crank seeking notoriety. DR. HOUSER'S VIEWS.

Mayor Smith has received a letter from Dr. J. A. Houser, of Indianapolis, in which the physician calls attention to the neuroethical connection of the crime with the possible criminal. Dr. Houser, in his let-

"For many years I have devoted much time and study to human nature, from a psychic and ethical standpoint and it is but natural that I would be inclined to apply my conclusions to any remarkable case of mental and moral phenomenon. Crime, like law, has a 'code of action' and this is the outgrowth of organic conditions.

pictures in the public prints Miss Schafer had a temperament in which the mental, moral and religious sentiments predominated. These gave her deep sympathy, abid-ing faith, great imagination. A pure idealist, governed by sentiment, impulsive to large extent, with a pure Christian love of humanity and a longing to aid and elevate the lower creature, she was a woman with the heart of a child. Hard to understand, her most intimate friends failed to know her deep feelings. "Her opposite and most dangerous affinity

Now it might be that this good, pure Christian girl, somewhere met this type of man. Her good intentions brought the entanglement which his unbalanced mind misunderstood. The weak, immoral character may have sought revenge, when she explained to him that he misunderstood her, and revenge came, as it does to such the pent-up villainy of his nature, that the Christian woman had held in check, burst its bounds and swept like a floodtide over all barriers. Such a character as his is probably a stranger in Bedford, for wherever he tarries awhile his life would

An anonymous communication from Indianapolis urged the instant summoning of a special grand jury. REGARDED AS A HOAX.

A letter dated Bedford, but mailed at Cincinnati, from an anonymous writer, created much merriment at the City Hall yesterday. The detectives regard it as a hoax or the product of a crank. It follows:

"Dear Friend-I take my pen in hand to in-form you of my health. I am well, and when these few lines reaches you, will find you the same. On the night that Miss Sarah Schafer was murdered, I just killed her because I loved her, and she would not marry me, and we had a few words about some matters. You all mean to prison up those poor schoolboys for what I have done. "Please catch me, you smart suckers, You all can get all the detectives in the United States, but they will never get me, for I am going far, far away. That poor fellow you all caught in that box car; don't punish him, because he is afraid to speak about the mystery. If you all do not catch me in forty-eight hours, draw in your horns, for God's sake. There is three of us to catch, you smart detectives. I beg in vain to let these poor fellows go. I wrote this letter just to let you all know that you are off the track, so now go 'way back and sit down, for God's sake. Miss Cecil White had better keep still about that thirty-twopage letter. Yours truly, THE GREAT MAN."

HOTEL "BEAT" NOT THE MAN. No importance is attached to the story of the Palo, Ill., man who hurriedly left the Park Hotel the day after the murder without paying his bill. The detectives did not even investigate it. E. H. Grimes, proprietor of the hotel, informed the police that a man answering the description of the mysterious stranger spent last Thursday at his hotel. He reached the hotel about 11 o'clock, and was assigned a room, leaving next morning without paying his bill. He wore a white vest that had the appearance